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To: ICT/IMF

From: State Director

Subject: Idaho Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Sensitive Species List

Program Area: Special Status Species Management

Purpose: In accordance with national policy (BLM Manual 6840), the Idaho BLM Special Status Species List has been updated to assist in addressing conservation management needs and to help establish priorities. An associated Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) has been signed by the State Director and Idaho Department of Fish and Game Director that designates BLM sensitive species (those species of concern but not federally listed or candidates for listing) (Attachment 3).

Policy/Action: Consistent with national policy, all offices are to use this new list to help them "...ensure, to the best of their abilities, that critical habitats and populations of sensitive species occurring on lands administered by the BLM will be managed and/or conserved to minimize the need for listing these animals as threatened or endangered by either Federal or State governments in the future."

Timeframe: Present to December 2005.

Background: In order to make the list more useful for land use planning and implementation, we ranked the special status species based on rarity and endangerment. These ranked categories should help District and Field Office staffs focus their management efforts on those species at greatest risk of extinction. The protocol for categorizing species into these categories is described in Attachment 5 of the MOU. The categories for animals and plants vary slightly and are outlined below:

Special Status Animals

Type 1. Federally Threatened, Endangered, Proposed and Candidate Species

<u>Idaho Sensitive Species</u>

- Type 2. Rangewide / Globally Imperiled Species
- Type 3. Regional / State Imperiled Species
- Type 4. Peripheral Species
- Type 5. Watch Species (not considered as sensitive species)

Special Status Plants

Type 1. Federally Threatened, Endangered, Proposed and Candidate Species

Idaho Sensitive Species

- Type 2. Rangewide / Globally Imperiled Species High Endangerment
- Type 3. Rangewide / Globally Imperiled Species Moderate Endangerment
- Type 4. Species of Concern

Type 5. Watch Species (not considered as sensitive species)

In addition to the MOU, special status animal and plant species for each District and Field Office are listed in the provided tables (Attachments 1 and 2, respectively). This information is also available on the Idaho BLM Intranet and Internet sites.

Manual/Handbook Sections Affected: Policy action taken in accordance with national special status species management policy (BLM Manual 6840).

Coordination: Action was coordinated with Idaho Field Offices and Districts, Idaho Department of Fish and Game, and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

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Lower Snake River District with Union: No Union notification or negotiation is required.

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Attachments

- 1 Special Status Animal Species for Districts and Field Offices (13 pp)
- 2 Special Status Plant Species for Districts and Field Offices (15 pp)
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Idaho BLM Special Status Animal Species for Districts and Field Offices

Type 1. Federally Listed, Proposed and Candidate Species: Includes species that are listed under the Endangered Species Act, proposed or candidates for listing.

Type 1 - ESA Listed, Proposed & Candidate	ESA		LSRD			US	RD			UC	CSC	
Species	Status	FR	ow	JA	SH	BU	PO	IF	SA	СН	CO	CdA
Mammals												
Northern Idaho Ground Squirrel (Spermophilus brunneus brunneus)	Т	X										
Southern Idaho Ground Squirrel (Spermophilus brunneus endemicus)	С	X										
Gray Wolf (Canus lupus)	EXP	X			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Gray Wolf (Canus lupus)	Т											X
Grizzly Bear (Ursus arctos)	Т							X	X			X
Canada Lynx (Lynx canadensis)	Т	X			X			X	X	X	X	X
Birds												
Bald Eagle (Haliaeetus leucocephalus)	Т	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Yellow-billed Cuckoo(Coccyzus americanus)	С	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Amphibians												

Type 1 - ESA Listed, Proposed & Candidate	ESA		LSRD			US	RD			UC	CSC	
Species	Status	FR	ow	JA	SH	BU	РО	IF	SA	СН	СО	CdA
Columbia Spotted Frog (Rana luteiventris) - Great Basin Population only	С		X	X								
Fish												
White Sturgeon - Kootenai River (Acipenser transmontanus)	Е											X
Sockeye Salmon (Oncorhynchus nerka)	Е								X	X	X	
Chinook Salmon (Oncorhynchus tshawytscha)	Т								X	X	X	
Steelhead (Oncorhynchus mykiss)	Т								X	X	X	
Bull Trout (Salvelinus confluentus)	Т	X		X	X			X	X	X	X	X
Invertebrates												
Utah Valvata Snail (Valvata utahensis)	Е			X	X	X	X					
Bliss Rapids Snail (Taylorconcha serpenticola)	T	X		X	X	X	X	X				
Idaho Springsnail (Pyrgulopsis idahoensis)	Е	X	X	X	X							
Banbury Springs Limpet (<i>Lanx</i> sp.)	Е				X							
Snake River Physa Snail (Physa natricina)	Е			X	X	X						
Bruneau Hot Springsnail (Pyrgulopsis bruneauensis)	Е		X	X								

Type 2. Rangewide / Globally Imperiled Species: Includes species that are experiencing significant declines throughout their range with a high likelihood of being listed under the Endangered Species Act in the foreseeable future due to their rarity and/or significant endangerment factors.

		LSRD			US	RD			UC	CSC	
Type 2 - Rangewide/ Globally Imperiled Species	FR	ow	JA	SH	BU	РО	IF	SA	СН	СО	CdA
Mammals											
Pygmy Rabbit (Brachylagus idahoensis)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Birds											
American White Pelican (Pelecanus erythrorhynchos)	X		X	X	X	X					
Greater Sage-grouse (Centrocercus urophasianus)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Amphibians											
Boreal Toad (<i>Bufo boreas boreas</i>) - Southeast Idaho Population only						X					
Northern Leopard Frog (Rana pipiens)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				X
Fish											
Pacific Lamprey (Lampetra tridentata)											
White Sturgeon - Snake River population above Hells Canyon Complex only (Acipenser transmontanus)											
Redband Trout (Oncorhynchus mykiss gibbsi)	X	X	X	X	X						
Westslope Cutthroat (Oncorhynchus clarki lewisi)							X	X	X	X	X
Bonneville Cutthroat (Oncorhynchus clarki utah)						X					

		LSRD			US	RD			UC	CSC	
Type 2 - Rangewide/ Globally Imperiled Species	FR	ow	JA	SH	BU	PO	IF	SA	СН	СО	CdA
Yellowstone Cutthroat (Oncorhynchus clarki bouveri)					X	X	X				
Bear Lake Cutthroat (Oncorhynchus clarki ssp.)						X					
Bear Lake Whitefish (Prosopium abyssicola)						X					
Bonneville Whitefish (Prosopium spilonotus)						X					
Bonneville Cisco (Prosopium gemmiferum)						X					
Bear Lake Sculpin (Cottus extensis)						X					
Shoshone Sculpin (Cottus greenei)				X							
Wood River Sculpin (Cottus leiopomus)				X							
Invertebrates											
Shortface Lanx (Fisherola nuttalli)			X	X	X					X	
Marbled Disc (Discus marmorensis)										X	
Mission Creek Oregonian (Cryptomastix magnidentata)										X	
Striate Mountainsnail (Oreohelix strigosa goniogyra)										X	
Idaho Banded Mountainsnail (Oreohelix idahoensis idahoensis)										X	
Lava Rock Mountainsnail (Oreohelix waltoni)										X	
Whorled Mountainsnail (Oreohelix vortex)										X	
Idaho Point-headed Grasshopper (Acrolophitus pulchellus)							X	X			

		LSRD			US	RD			UC	SC	
Type 2 - Rangewide/ Globally Imperiled Species	FR	ow	JA	SH	BU	PO	IF	SA	СН	CO	CdA
St. Anthony Sand Dunes Tiger Beetle (Cicindela arenicola)				X	X		X				
Bruneau Dunes Tiger Beetle (Cicindela waynei waynei)			X								
Columbia River Tiger Beetle (Cicindela columbica)										X	
Blind Cave Leiodid Beetle (Glacicavicola bathyscoides)				X	X		X				

Type 3. Regional / State Imperiled Species: Includes species that are experiencing declines in population or habitat and are in danger of regional or local extinctions in Idaho in the foreseeable future.

	LSRD				US	RD			UC	CSC	
Type 3 - Regional / State Imperiled Species	FR	ow	JA	SH	BU	РО	IF	SA	СН	СО	CdA
Mammals											
Fringed Myotis (Myotis thysanodes)	X									X	
Spotted Bat (Euderma maculatum)	X	X	X		X						
Townsend's Big-eared Bat (Plecotus townsendii)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Piute Ground Squirrel (Spermophilus mollis artemisae)				X	X		X				
Fisher (Martes pennanti)	X							X	X	X	X
Wolverine (Gulo gulo luscus)	X			X			X	X	X	X	X
California Bighorn Sheep (Ovis canadensis californiana)		X	X		X						
Birds											
Trumpeter Swan (Cygnus buccinator)			X	X		X	X		X		
Peregrine Falcon (Falco peregrinus anatum)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Prairie Falcon (Falco mexicanus)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Northern Goshawk (Accipiter gentilis)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Ferruginous Hawk (Buteo regalis)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Columbian Sharp-tailed Grouse (Tympanuchus phasianellus columbianus)	X	X*	X*		X	X	X				
Mountain Quail (Oreortyx pictus)	X	X*	X*							X	

		LSRD			US	RD			UC	CSC	
Type 3 - Regional / State Imperiled Species	FR	ow	JA	SH	BU	РО	IF	SA	СН	СО	CdA
Black Tern (Chlidonias niger)					X	X	X				
Flammulated Owl (Otus flammeolus)	X			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Calliope Hummingbird (Stellula calliope)	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lewis' Woodpecker (Melanerpes lewis)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Williamsons Sapsucker (Sphyrapicus thyroideus)	X			X		X	X	X	X	X	
Willow Flycatcher (Empidonax trailii)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Hammond's Flycatcher (Empidonax hammondii)	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Olive-sided Flycatcher (Contopus borealis)	X			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Loggerhead Shrike (Lanius ludovicianus)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Sage Sparrow (Amphispiza belli)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Brewer's Sparrow (Spizella breweri)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Reptiles											
Mojave Black-collared Lizard (Crotaphytus bicinctores)	X	X	X								
Longnose Snake (Rhinocheilus lecontei)	X	X	X								
Western Ground Snake (Sonora semiannulata)	X	X	X								
Common Garter Snake (Thamnophis sirtalis)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Amphibians											
Coeur d'Alene Salamander (Plethodon idahoensis)										X	X
Idaho Giant Salamander (Dicamptodon aterrimus)	X									X	X

		LSRD			US	RD			UC	CSC	
Type 3 - Regional / State Imperiled Species	FR	ow	JA	SH	BU	РО	IF	SA	СН	СО	CdA
Western Toad (Bufo boreas) -(Northern Rocky Mountain Group only)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Woodhouse Toad (Bufo woodhousii)	X	X	X	X						X	
Fish		•						•			
Leatherside Chub (Gila copei)				X	X	X					
Burbot (Lota lota)											X
Invertebrates											
Boulder Pile Mountainsnail (Oreohelix jugalis)										X	
California Floater (Anodonta californiensis)		X	X	X	X						
Columbia Pebblesnail (Flumincola fuscus)			X	X						X	

^{*} Locally extirpated, reintroduction emphasis

Type 4. Peripheral Species in Idaho: Includes species that are generally rare in Idaho with the majority of their breeding range outside the state.

Type 4 - Peripheral Species	LSRD			US	RD			UC	SC		
	FR	ow	JA	SH	BU	РО	IF	SA	СН	СО	CdA
Mammals											
Coast Mole (Scapanus orarius)										X	
California Myotis (Myotis californicus)										X	
Cliff Chipmunk (Tamias dorsalis)					X	X					
Uinta Chipmunk (Tamias umbrinus)						X	X				
Meriam's Ground Squirrel (Spermophilus canus vigilis)		X									
Wyoming Ground Squirrel (Spermophilus elegans nevadensis)		X	X		X						
Little Pocket Mouse (Perognathus longimembris)		X			X						
Dark Kangaroo Mouse (Microdipodops megacephalus)		X									
Kit Fox (Vulpes velox)		X	X		X	X					
Northern Bog Lemming (Synaptomys borealis)											X
Birds											
White-faced Ibis (Plegadis chihi)		X	X	X	X	X	X				
Harlequin Duck (Histrionicus histrionicus)										X	X
Upland Sandpiper (Bartramia longicauda)	X										X
Black Swift (Cypseloides niger)											X
White-headed Woodpecker (Picoides albolarvatus)	X									X	X

Type 4 - Peripheral Species	LSRD				USI	RD			UC	SC	
	FR	ow	JA	SH	BU	PO	IF	SA	СН	CO	CdA
Virginia's Warbler (Vermivora virginiae)					X	X	X				
Black-throated Sparrow (Amphispiza bilineata)	X	X	X		X						

Type 5 - Watch List Species: Includes species that are not considered Idaho BLM sensitive species but current population or habitat information suggests that species may warrant sensitive species status in the future.

		LSRD			US	RD			UC	CSC	
Type 5 - Watch List	FR	ow	JA	SH	BU	РО	IF	SA	СН	СО	CdA
Mammals											
Yuma Myotis (Myotis yumanensis)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Long-eared Myotis (Myotis evotis)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Long-legged Myotis (Myotis volans)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Western Small-footed Myotis (Myotis ciliolabrum)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Western Pipistrelle (Pipistrellus hesperus)	X	X	X	X	X					X	
Rock Squirrel (Spermophilus variegatus)						X					
Birds											
Barrow's Goldeneye (Bucephala islandica)							X		X		X
Swainson's Hawk (Buteo swainsoni)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Blue Grouse (Dendragapus obscurus)	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Long-billed Curlew (Numenius americanus)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Wilson's Phalarope (Phalaropus tricolor)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			X	
Northern Pygmy-owl (Glaucidium gnoma)	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Great Gray Owl (Strix nebulosa)	X			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Short-eared Owl (Asio flammeus)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Boreal Owl (Aegolius funereus)	X			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

		LSRD			US	RD			UC	CSC	
Type 5 - Watch List	FR	ow	JA	SH	BU	РО	IF	SA	СН	СО	CdA
Western Burrowing Owl (Speotyto cunicularia)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Vaux's Swift (Chaetura vauxi)	X									X	X
Red-naped Sapsucker (Sphyrapicus nuchalis)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Black-backed Woodpecker (Picoides arcticus)	X			X			X	X	X	X	X
Cordilleran Flycatcher (Empidonax occidentalis)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Pinyon Jay (Gymnorhinus cyanocephalus)					X	X	X				
Pygmy Nuthatch (Sitta pygmaea)	X							X	X	X	X
Sage Thrasher (Oreoscoptes montanus)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Green-tailed Towhee (Pipilo chlorurus)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Grasshopper Sparrow (Ammodramus savannarum)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Brewer's Blackbird (Euphagus cyanocephalus)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Cassin's Finch (Carpodacus cassinii)	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Reptiles	<u> </u>					<u>, </u>					
Northern Alligator Lizard (Elgaria coerulea)											X
Ringneck Snake (Diadophis punctatus)	X					X				X	
Night Snake (Hypsiglena torquata)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			X	
Amphibians											
Wood Frog (Rana sylvatica)											X

		LSRD			US	RD			UC	SC	
Type 5 - Watch List	FR	ow	JA	SH	BU	PO	IF	SA	СН	CO	CdA
Fish											
Shorthead Sculpin (Cottus confusus)	X	X		X			X	X	X	X	X
Torrent Sculpin (Cottus rhotheus)									X	X	X

Idaho BLM Special Status Plant Species By District and Field Office

Type 1. Federally Listed, Proposed and Candidate Species: Includes species that are listed under the Endangered Species Act, proposed or candidates for listing.

Type 1 - ESA Listed, P Species	Proposed & Candidate	ESA Status		LSRD			US	SRD			UC	CSC	
Scientific Name Common Name			FR	ow	JA	SH	BU	PO	IF	SA	СН	СО	CdA
Botrychium lineare	Slender moonwort	С											X
Lepidium papilliferum	Slickspot peppergrass	PE	X		X								
Mirabilis macfarlanei	Macfarlane's four-o'clock	Т										X	
Silene spaldingii	Spalding's silene	Т										X	
Spiranthes diluvialis	Ute ladies'-tresses	Т							X				

Type 2. Rangewide / Globally Imperiled Species - High Endangerment: Includes species that are experiencing declines throughout their range with a high likelihood of being listed under the Endangered Species Act in the foreseeable future due to their rarity <u>and</u> significant endangerment factors.

Type 2 - Rangewide / Globa High Endangerment	lly Imperiled Species -	LSR	D		USR	D			UCS	C		
Scientific Name	Common Name	FR	ow	JA	SH	BU	РО	IF	SA	СН	СО	CdA
Allium aaseae	Aase's onion	X										
Aster jessicae	Jessica's aster										X	
Astragalus anserinus	Goose Creek milkvetch					X						
Astragalus aquilonius	Lemhi milkvetch							X	X	X		
Astragalus cusickii var. packardiae	Packard's milkvetch	X										
Astragalus jejunus var. jejunus	Starveling milkvetch						X					
Astragalus mulfordiae	Mulford's milkvetch	X	X									
Calamagrostis tweedyi											X	
Calochortus macrocarpus var. maculosus	Green-band mariposa lily										X	
Calochortus nitidus	Broad-fruit mariposa lily										X	

Type 2 - Rangewide / Globall High Endangerment	y Imperiled Species -	LSR	D		USR	D			UCS	C		
Scientific Name	Common Name	FR	ow	JA	SH	BU	РО	IF	SA	СН	СО	CdA
Camissonia palmeri	Palmer's evening- primrose		X									
Cardamine constancei	Constance's bittercress											X
Carex aboriginum	Indian Valley sedge	X										
Carex parryana ssp. idahoa	Idaho sedge								X			
Chaenactis cusickii	Cusick's false yarrow		X									
Crepis bakeri ssp. idahoensis	Idaho hawksbeard										X	
Cryptantha caespitosa	Tufted cryptantha						X					
Eriogonum capistratum var. welshii	Welsh's buckwheat							X		X		
Eriogonum shockleyi var. packardiae	Packard's buckwheat	X	X	X								
Haplopappus liatriformis (=Pyrrocoma liatriformis)	Palouse goldenweed										X	
Lomatium packardiae	Packard's desert parsley		X									
Lomatium salmoniflorum	Salmon River biscuitroot											X

Type 2 - Rangewide / Global High Endangerment	ly Imperiled Species -	LSR	D		USR	D			UCS	C		
Scientific Name	Common Name	FR	ow	JA	SH	BU	РО	IF	SA	СН	СО	CdA
Mentzelia mollis	Smooth stickleaf		X									
Mimulus ampliatus	Spacious monkey- flower										X	
Mimulus patulus	Stalk-leaved monkey- flower	X										X
Oenothera psammophila	Saint Anthony evening- primrose							X				
Phacelia inconspicua	Obscure phacelia							X				
Phacelia minutissima	Least phacelia		X		X							
Physaria didymocarpa var. lyrata	Salmon twin- bladderpod							X				
Primula alcalina	Alkali primrose							X	X	X		
Scirpus rollandii (=Trichophorum pumilum)	Rolland's bulrush							X				
Stanleya confertiflora	Malheur princesplume	X	X		X							
Texosporium sancti-jacobi (lichen)	Woven-spore lichen	X										
Trifolium douglasii	Douglas' clover	X									X	

Type 2 - Rangewide / Globally High Endangerment	y Imperiled Species -	LSRI	D		USR	D			UCS	С		
Scientific Name Common Name		FR	ow	JA	SH	BU	РО	IF	SA	СН	CO	CdA
Trifolium owyheense	Owyhee clover		X									
Trifolium plumosum var. amplifolium	Plumed clover	X									X	
Xanthoparmelia idahoensis (lichen)	Idaho range lichen								X			

Type 3 - Rangewide / Globally Imperiled Species - Moderate Endangerment: Includes species that are globally rare with moderate endangerment factors. Their global rarity and inherent risks associated with

rarity make them imperiled species.

Type 3 - Rangewide / Globally I Moderate Endangerment	mperiled Species -		LSRD			US	RD			UC	CSC	
Scientific Name	Common Name	FR	ow	JA	SH	BU	РО	IF	SA	СН	СО	CdA
Allium anceps	Two-headed onion					X		X				
Allium tolmiei var. persimile	Tolmie's onion										X	
Angelica kingii	King's angelica		X									
Astragalus amblytropis	Challis milkvetch									X		
Astragalus amnis-amissi	Lost River milkvetch							X				
Astragalus atratus var. inseptus	Mourning milkvetch	X			X							
Astragalus diversifolius	Meadow milkvetch							X	X	X		
Astragalus gilviflorus	Tufted milkvetch							X				
Astragalus microcystis	Least bladdery milkvetch											X
Astragalus oniciformis	Picabo milkvetch				X							
Astragalus paysonii	Payson's milkvetch							X				
Astragalus sterilis (=Astragalus cusickii var. sterilis)	Barren milkvetch		X									
Astragalus tetrapterus	Four-wing milkvetch		X			X						

Special Species Plant Species by District and Field Office, Attachment 2-6

Type 3 - Rangewide / Globally Moderate Endangerment	Imperiled Species -		LSRD			US	RD			UC	CSC	
Scientific Name	Common Name	FR	ow	JA	SH	BU	РО	IF	SA	СН	СО	CdA
Astragalus yoder-williamsii	Mud Flat milkvetch		X									
Blechnum spicant	Deer fern											X
Blepharidachne kingii	King's desertgrass		X									
Bouteloua gracilis	Blue gramma								X	X		
Carex comosa	Bristly sedge											X
Carex occidentalis	Western sedge							X				
Ceanothus prostratus	Mahala mat	X										
Cleomella plocasperma	Alkali cleomella		X									
Collema curtisporum (lichen)	Short-spored jelly lichen											X
Corydalis caseana ssp. hastata	Case's corydalis										X	
Cryptantha breviflora	Uinta Basin cryptantha						X					
Cuscuta denticulata	Sepal-tooth dodder							X				
Cymopterus acaulis var. greeleyorum	Greeley's wavewing		X	X								
Dermatocarpon lorenzianum (lichen)	Silver-skin lichen	X										
Dimeresia howellii	Dimeresia		X									

Type 3 - Rangewide / Globally I Moderate Endangerment	mperiled Species -		LSRD			US	RD			UC	CSC	
Scientific Name	Common Name	FR	ow	JA	SH	BU	РО	IF	SA	СН	СО	CdA
Downingia insignis	Harlequin calicoflower		X									
Epipactis gigantea	Chatterbox orchid	X	X	X	X	X		X		X	X	
Eriogonum desertorum	Great Basin desert buckwheat						X					
Eriogonum ochrocephalum var. calcareum	Calcareous buckwheat	X										
Eriogonum shockleyi var. shockleyi	Shockley's matted buckwheat		X	X								
Hackelia cronquistii	Cronquist's forget-me-not	X										
Hackelia ophiobia	Rattlesnake forget-me-not		X									
Haplopappus insecticruris (=Pyrrocoma insecticruris)	Bug-leg goldenweed				X							
Haplopappus radiatus (=Pyrrocoma radiata)	Snake River goldenweed	X										
Hypericum majus	Large Canadian St. John's wort											X
Ipomopsis polycladon	Spreading gilia		X	X				X				
Lepidium davisii	Davis peppergrass	X	X	X		X						
Leptodactylon glabrum	Bruneau River prickly phlox		X	X								

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Type 3 - Rangewide / Globally I Moderate Endangerment	mperiled Species -		LSRD			US	RD			UC	CSC	
Scientific Name	Common Name	FR	ow	JA	SH	BU	РО	IF	SA	СН	СО	CdA
Leptodactylon pungens ssp. hazeliae	Hazel's prickly phlox										X	
Lomatogonium rotatum	Marsh felwort							X	X	X		
Orthotrichum hallii (moss)	Hall's orthotrichum										X	
Oxytropis besseyi var. salmonis	Challis crazyweed									X		
Penstemon idahoensis	Idaho penstemon					X						
Penstemon janishiae	Janish's penstemon		X	X								
Penstemon lemhiensis	Lemhi penstemon								X			
Pentagramma triangularis ssp. triangularis	Goldenback fern										X	
Peraphyllum ramosissimum	Indian apple	X										
Phacelia lutea var. calva	Malheur phacelia		X									
Piptatherum micranthum	Small-flowered ricegrass							X				
Psathyrotes annua	Turtleback	X	X									
Salix pseudomonticola	False mountain willow								X			
Spiranthes porrifolia	Western ladies'-tresses										X	
Sporobolus asper	Tall dropseed				X							

Type 3 - Rangewide / Globall Moderate Endangerment	y Imperiled Species -		LSRD			US	RD			UC	CSC	
Scientific Name	Common Name	FR	ow	JA	SH	BU	РО	IF	SA	СН	СО	CdA
Stipa viridula (=Nassella viridula)	Green needlegrass						X	X				
Teucrium canadense var. occidentale	American wood sage	X	X	X								
Thalictrum dasycarpum	Purple meadowrue											X
Thelypodium repandum	Wavy-leaf thelypody								X	X		
Thelypteris nevadensis	Nevada wood-fern											X
Townsendia scapigera	Scapose townsendia					X						
Waldsteinia idahoensis	Idaho strawberry										X	

Type 4. Species of Concern: Includes species that are generally rare in Idaho with currently low endangerment threats.

Type 4 - Species of Concern			LSRD			US	RD			UC	CSC	
Scientific Name	Common Name	FR	ow	JA	SH	BU	РО	IF	SA	СН	СО	CdA
Agoseris lackschewitzii	Pink agoseris								X			
Aster junciformis (Symphyotrichum boreale)	Rush aster							X	X	X		
Astragalus bisulcatus var. bisulcatus	Two-grooved milkvetch							X	X			
Astragalus drummondii	Drummond's milkvetch							X				
Astragalus newberryi var. castoreus	Newberry's milkvetch		X			X						
Botrychium minganense	Mingan moonwort											X
Camissonia pterosperma	Winged-seed evening- primrose							X				
Carex livida	Pale sedge								X	X		
Carex tumulicola	Foothill sedge		X				X					
Catapyrenium congestum	Earth lichen	X	X		X							
Chaenactis stevioides	Desert pincushion	X	X	X								
Cicuta bulbifera	Bulb-bearing waterhemlock											X

Type 4 - Species of Concern			LSRD			US	RD		UCSC			
Scientific Name	Common Name	FR	ow	JA	SH	BU	РО	IF	SA	СН	СО	CdA
Coryphantha vivipara (=Escobaria vivipara)	Cushion cactus							X	X			
Downingia bacigalupii	Bacigalupi's downingia		X	X	X							
Draba globosa	Globe-fruited draba									X		
Eatonella nivea	White eatonella	X	X	X	X				X	X		
Glyptopleura marginata	White-margined wax plant	X	X	X		X						
Haplopappus uniflorus var. howellii	Howell's one-flowered goldenweed		X									
Hymenoxys cooperi var. canescens	Cooper's rubber-plant						X					
Lupinus uncialis	Inch-high lupine		X									
Nemacladus rigidus	Rigid threadbush		X	X								
Peteria thompsoniae	Spine-noded milkvetch		X	X								
Picea glauca	White spruce								X			
Salicornia rubra	Red glasswort						X					
Salix candida	Hoary willow						X	X	X	X		X
Scirpus subterminalis	Water clubrush											X

Type 5. Watch List: Includes species that are not considered Idaho BLM sensitive species but current population or habitat information suggests that species may warrant sensitive species status in the future.

Type 5 - Watch List			LSRD			US	RD		UCSC			
Scientific Name	Common Name	FR	ow	JA	SH	BU	РО	IF	SA	СН	СО	CdA
Agastache cusickii	Cusick's horse-mint					X			X			
Aspicilia fruticulosa (lichen)	Coral lichen	X					X					
Astragalus conjunctus	Stiff milkvetch		X									
Astragalus leptaleus	Park milkvetch											
Astragalus purshii var. ophiogenes	Snake River milkvetch	X	X	X	X							
Astragalus riparius	Piper's milkvetch								X			
Calandrinia ciliata	Fringed redmaids				X							
Camassia cusickii	Cusick's camas	X										
Carex buxbaumii	Buxbaum's sedge				X							X
Carex hendersonii	Henderson's sedge											X
Cercocarpus montanus	Birchleaf mountain- mahogany						X					
Chrysothamnus nauseosus ssp. nanus	Dwarf gray rabbitbrush							X				
Cryptantha propria	Malheur cryptantha	X	X									

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Type 5 - Watch List		LSRD				US	RD		UCSC			
Scientific Name	Common Name	FR	ow	JA	SH	BU	РО	IF	SA	СН	СО	CdA
Cryptantha sericea	Silky cryptantha						X					
Cymopterus ibapensis	Ibapah springparsley						X	X	X			
Cyperus rivularis	Shining flat sedge	X										
Epilobium palustre	Swamp willow-herb							X				
Eryngium articulatum	Bee thistle											X
Halimolobos perplexa var. perplexa	Puzzling halimolobos										X	
Haplopappus bloomeri	Rabbitbrush goldenweed		X									
Juncus hallii	Hall's rush		X				X	X				
Juncus tweedyi	Tweedy's rush											X
Machaerocarpus californicus	Star water plantain		X	X								
Mentzelia congesta	United blazingstar				X							
Mimulus clivicola	Bank monkey-flower	X									X	X
Mimulus evanescens	Disappearing monkey- flower		X									
Mimulus hymenophyllus	Thin-sepal monkey- flower										X	
Muhlenbergia racemosa	Wild timothy						X	X				

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Type 5 - Watch List			LSRD			USRD				UCSC			
Scientific Name	Common Name	FR	ow	JA	SH	BU	PO	IF	SA	СН	СО	CdA	
Pediocactus simpsonii	Simpson's hedgehog cactus		X	X	X	X					X		
Penstemon seorsus	Short-lobed penstemon		X										
Potamogeton diversifolius	Diverse-leaved pondweed		X										
Primula cusickiana "complex"	Cusick's primrose	X			X								
Silene scaposa var. lobata	Lost River silene							X					
Solidago spectabilis	Basin goldenrod		X										
Thelypodium laciniatum var. streptanthoides	Purple thick-leaved thelypody										X	_	

Sensitive Species Supplement to The Master Memorandum of Understanding Between the Idaho Department of Fish and Game and the Bureau of Land Management

Whereas there are species of plants and animals in Idaho whose populations are consistently small and widely dispersed, or whose ranges are restricted to a few locations such that any appreciable reduction in number, habitat availability, or habitat condition might lead towards extinction; and

Whereas there are species of plants and animals in Idaho whose numbers have or are declining to the point that official listing via the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (Public Law 93-205) could become necessary should such declines not be curtailed; and

Whereas the Department and the Bureau mutually agree the plant and animal species listed in the following attachments meet one or both of the following criteria previously discussed;

Therefore the Department and the Bureau agree to:

- 1. Designate the animal species listed on Attachment 1 and the plant species listed on Attachment 2 as BLM "sensitive species."
- 2. Ensure, to the best of their abilities, that critical habitats and populations of sensitive species occurring on lands administered by the Bureau will be managed and/or conserved to minimize the need for listing these animals as threatened or endangered by either Federal or State governments in the future.
- 3. Include sensitive vascular plants, lichens, and mosses in the list, even though technically under authority of the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation (IDP&R), due to an agreement between the Department and the IDP&R, and invertebrates, even though no State agency has clear authority for the invertebrates not identified as agricultural pests.
- 4. BLM sensitive animal list will be cooperatively reviewed and updated every other year. BLM sensitive plant list will be updated annually consistent with the Idaho Native Plant Society rankings.
- 5. Include Attachment 3 of current Federally-listed threatened and endangered species for reference and management emphasis, and Attachment 4, a BLM "watch list" for species whose populations and/or habitat appear to be in downward trends, but information is lacking as to the cause or if the species trends are indeed downward.
- 6. Use the cooperatively developed protocol to identify BLM sensitive species and further categorize based on rarity and endangerment factors (Attachment 5).

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SENSITIVE SPECIES LIST - ANIMALS

Rangewide/ Globally Imperiled Species (Type 2)

Mammals

Pygmy Rabbit (Brachylagus idahoensis)

Birds

American White Pelican (Pelecanus erythrorhynchos)

Greater Sage-grouse (Centrocercus urophasianus)

Amphibians

Boreal Toad (Bufo boreas boreas) - Southeast Idaho population only

Northern Leopard Frog (Rana pipiens)

Fish

Pacific Lamprey (Lampetra tridentata)

White Sturgeon - Snake River population above Hells Canyon Complex (Acipenser transmontanus)

Redband Trout (Oncorhynchus mykiss gairdneri)

Westslope Cutthroat (Oncorhynchus clarki lewisi)

Bonneville Cutthroat (Oncorhynchus clarki utah)

Yellowstone Cutthroat (Oncorhynchus clarki bouvieri)

Bear Lake Cutthroat (Oncorhynchus clarki ssp.)

Bear Lake Whitefish (Prosopium abyssicola)

Bonneville Whitefish (Prosopium spilonotus)

Bonneville Cisco (Prosopium gemmiferum)

Bear Lake Sculpin (Cottus extensis)

Shoshone Sculpin (Cottus greenei)

Wood River Sculpin (Cottus leiopomus)

Invertebrates

Shortface Lanx (Fisherola nuttalli)

Marbled Disc (Discus marmorensis)

Mission Creek Oregonian (Cryptomastix magnidentata)

Striate Mountainsnail (Oreohelix strigosa goniogyra)

Idaho Banded Mountainsnail (Oreohelix idahoensis idahoensis)

Lava Rock Mountainsnail (Oreohelix waltoni)

Whorled Mountainsnail (Oreohelix vortex)

Idaho Pointheaded Grasshopper (Acrolophitus punchellus)

St. Anthony Sand Dunes Tiger Beetle (Cicindela arenicola)

Bruneau Dunes Tiger Beetle (Cicindela waynei waynei)

Columbia River Tiger Beetle (Cicindela columbica)

Blind Cave Leiodid Beetle (Glacicavicola bathyscoides)

Regional / State Imperiled Species (Type 3)

Mammals

Fringed Myotis (Myotis thysanodes)

Spotted Bat (Euderma maculatum)

Townsend's Big-earred Bat (Corynorhinus townsendii)

Piute Ground Squirrel (Spermophilus mollis)

Fisher (Martes pennanti)

Wolverine (Gulo gulo luscus)

California Bighorn Sheep (Ovis canadensis californiana)

Birds

Trumpeter Swan (Cygnus buccinator)

Peregrine Falcon (Falco peregrinus anatum)

Prairie Falcon (Falco mexicanus)

Northern Goshawk (Accipiter gentilis)

Ferruginous Hawk (Buteo regalis)

Columbian Sharp-tailed Grouse (Tympanuchus phasianellus columbianus)

Mountain Quail (Oreortyx pictus)

Black Tern (Chlidonias niger)

Flammulated Owl (Otus flammeolus)

Calliope Hummingbird (Stellula calliope)

Lewis' Woodpecker (Melanerpes lewis)

Williamson's Sapsucker (Sphyrapicus thyroideus)

Willow Flycatcher (Empidonax trailii)

Hammond's Flycatcher (Empidonax hammondii)

Olive-sided Flycatcher (Contopus borealis)

Loggerhead Shrike (Lanius ludovicianus)

Brewer's Sparrow (Spizella breweri)

Sage Sparrow (Amphispiza belli)

Reptiles

Mojave Black-collared Lizard (Crotaphytus bicinctores)

Longnose Snake (Rhinocheilus lecontei)

Western Ground Snake (Sonora semiannulata)

Common Garter Snake (Thamnophis sirtalis)

Amphibians

Coeur d'Alene Salamander (Plethodon idahoensis)

Idaho Giant Salamander (Dicamptodon aterrimus)

Western Toad (Bufo boreas) - (Northern Rocky Mountain Group only)

Woodhouse Toad (Bufo woodhousii)

Fish

Leatherside Chub (Gila copei)

Sand Roller (Percopsis transmontana)

Burbot (Lota lota)

Invertebrates

Boulder Pile Mountainsnail (Oreohlix jugalis)

California Floater (Anodonta californiensis)

Columbia Pebblesnail (Fluminicola columbianus)

Idaho Peripheral Species (Type 4)

Mammals

Coast Mole (Scapanus orarius)

California Myotis (Myotis californicus)

Cliff Chipmunk (Tamias dorsalis)

Uinta Chipmunk (Tamias umbrinus)

Meriam's Ground Squirrel (Spermophilus canus vigilis)

Wyoming Ground Squirrel (Spermophilus elegans navadensis)

Little Pocket Mouse (Perognathus longimembris)

Dark Kangaroo Mouse (Microdipodops megacephalus)

Kit Fox (Vulpes macrotis)

Northern Bog Lemming (Synaptomys borealis)

Birds

White-faced Ibis (Plegadis chihi)

Harlequin Duck (Histrionicus histrionicus)

Upland Sandpiper (Bartramia longicauda)

Black Swift (Cypseloides niger)

White-headed Woodpecker (Picoides albolarvatus)

Black-throated Sparrow (Amphispiza bilineata)

Sensitive Species List - Plants

Rangewide /Globally Imperiled Species - High Endangerment (Type 2)

Allium aaseae Aase's onion
Aster jessicae Jessica's aster

Astragalus anserinus Goose Creek milkvetch

Astragalus aquilonius

Astragalus cusickii var. packardiae

Astragalus ieiunus var. ieiunus

Astragalus mulfordiae

Calamagrostis tweedyi

Lemhi milkvetch

Starveling milkvetch

Mulford's milkvetch

Cascade reedgrass

Calochortus macrocarpus var. maculosusGreen-band mariposa lilyCalochortus nitidusBroad-fruit mariposa lilyCamissonia palmeriPalmer's evening-primroseCardamine constanceiConstance's bittercressCarex aboriginumIndian Valley sedge

Carex parryana ssp. idahoa Idaho sedge

Chaenactis cusickii

Crepis bakeri ssp. idahoensis

Idaho hawksbeard

Cryptantha caespitosa

Tufted cryptantha

Eriogonum capistratum var. welshii

Welsh's buckwheat

Eriogonum shockleyi var. packardiae

Haplopappus liatriformis (=Pyrrocoma liatriformis)

Palouse goldenweed

Lomatium packardiaePackard's desert parsleyLomatium salmoniflorumSalmon River biscuitroot

Mentzelia mollis Smooth stickleaf

Mimulus ampliatusSpacious monkey-flowerMimulus patulusStalk-leaved monkey-flower

Oenothera psammophila Saint Anthony evening-primrose

Phacelia inconspicuaObscure phaceliaPhacelia minutissimaLeast phacelia

Physaria didymocarpa var. lyrata Salmon twin-bladderpod

Primula alcalina Alkali primrose
Scirpus rollandii (=Trichophorum pumilum) Rolland's bulrush

Stanleya confertifloraMalheur princesplumeTexosporium sancti-jacobi (lichen)Woven-spore lichenTrifolium douglasiiDouglas' cloverTrifolium owyheenseOwyhee cloverTrifolium plumosum ssp. amplifoliumPlumed cloverXanthoparmelia idahoensis (lichen)Idaho range lichen

Rangewide /Global Imperilment - Moderate Endangerment (Type 3)

Allium anceps Two-headed onion Allium tolmiei var. persimile Tolmie's onion Angelica kingii King's angelica Challis milkvetch Astragalus amblytropis Astragalus amnis-amissi Lost River milkvetch Astragalus atratus var. inseptus Mourning milkvetch Astragalus diversifolius Meadow milkvetch Astragalus gilviflorus Tufted milkvetch

Astragalus microcystis Least bladdery milkvetch

Astragalus oniciformis

Astragalus paysonii

Payson's milkvetch

Astragalus sterilis

Barren milkvetch

Astragalus tetrapterus

Four-wing milkvetch

Astragalus yoder-williamsii

Mud Flat milkvetch

Blechnum spicant Deer fern

Blepharidachne kingii King's desertgrass
Bouteloua gracilis Blue gramma
Carex comosa Bristly sedge
Carex occidentalis Western sedge
Ceanothus prostratus Mahala mat
Cleomella plocasperma Alkali cleomella

Collema curtisporum (lichen) Short-spored jelly lichen

Corydalis caseana ssp. hastata Case's corydalis

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Uinta Basin cryptantha
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Type 1: THREATENED (T), ENDANGERED (E), PROPOSED (P) AND CANDIDATE (C) SPECIES LIST (U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and National Marine Fisheries Service)

Animals

Mammals	ESA Status
Northern Idaho Ground Squirrel (Spermophilus brunneus brunneus)	T
Southern Idaho Ground Squirrel (Spermophilus brunneaus endemicus)	C
Gray Wolf (Canus lupus)	T
Grizzly Bear (Ursus arctos)	T
Canada Lynx (Lynx canadensis)	T
Birds	
Bald Eagle (Haliaeetus leucocephalus)	T
Yellow-billed Cuckoo (Coccyzus americanus)	C
Amphibians	
Columbia Spotted Frog (Rana luteiventris) - Great Basin Population only	C
Fish	
White Sturgeon - Kootenai River (Acipenser transmontanus)	E
Sockeye Salmon (Oncorhynchus nerka)	E
Chinook Salmon (Oncorhynchus tschawytscha)	T
Steelhead (Oncorhynchus mykiss)	T
Bull Trout (Salvelinus confluentus)	T
Invertebrates	
Utah Valvata Snail (Valvata utahensis)	E
Bliss Rapids Snail (Taylorconcha serpenticola)	T
Idaho Springsnail (Pyrgulopsis idahoensis)	E
Banbury Springs Limpet (Lanx spp.)	E
Snake River Physa Snail (Physa natricina)	E
Bruneau Hot Springsnail (Pyrgulopsis bruneauensis)	E

Plants

		ESA Status
Botrychium lineare	Slender moonwort	C
Lepidium papilliferum	Slickspot peppergrass	PE
Mirabilis macfarlanei	Macfarlane's four-o'clock	T
Silene spaldingii	Spalding's silene	T

Attachment 4

WATCH LIST

Animals

Mammals

Yuma Myotis (Myotis yumanensis)

Long-eared Myotis (Myotis evotis)

Long-legged Myotis (Myotis volans)

Western Small-footed Mvotis (Mvotis ciliolabrum)

Western Pipistrelle (Pipistrellus hesperus)

Rock Squirrel (Spermophilus variegatus)

Birds

Barrow's Goldeneye (Bucephala islandica)

Swainson's Hawk (Buteo swainsoni)

Blue Grouse (Dendragapus obsurus)

Long-billed Curlew (Numenius americanus)

Wilson's Phalarope (Phalaropus tricolor)

Northern Pygmy-owl (Glaucidium gnoma)

Great Gray Owl (Strix nebulosa)

Boreal Owl (Aegolius funereus)

Short-eared Owl (Asio flammeus)

Western Burrowing Owl (Speotyto cunicularia)

Vaux's Swift (Chaetura vauxi)

Red-naped Sapsucker (Sphyrapicus nuchalis)

Black-backed Woodpecker (Picoides arcticus)

Cordilleran Flycatcher (Empidonax occidentalis)

Pinyon Jay (Gymnorhinus cyanocephalus)

Pygmy Nuthatch (Sitta pygmaea)

Sage Thrasher (Oreoscoptes montanus)

Virginia's Warbler (Vermivora virginae)

Green-tailed Towhee (Pipilo chlorurus)

Grasshopper Sparrow (Ammodramus savannarum)

Brewer's Blackbird (Euphagus cyanocephalus)

Cassin's Finch (Carpodacus cassinii)

Reptiles

Northern Alligator Lizard (Elgaria coerulea)

Ringneck Snake (Diadophis punctatus)

Night Snake (Hypsiglena torquata)

Amphibians

Wood Frog (Rana sylvatica)

Fish

Shorthead Sculpin (Cottus confusus)

Torrent Sculpin (Cottus rhotheus)

Halimolobos perplexa var. perplexa

Plants (Type 5)

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Camassia cusickii Cusick's camas
Carex buxbaumii Buxbaum's sedge
Carex hendersonii Henderson's sedge

Cercocarpus montanus Birchleaf mountain-mahogany

Chrysothamnus nauseosus ssp. nanus

Cryptantha propria

Cryptantha sericea

Cymopterus ibapensis

Cyperus rivularis

Dwarf gray rabbitbrush

Malheur cryptantha

Silky cryptantha

Ibapah springparsley

Shining flat sedge

Epilobium palustre Swamp willow-herb

Eryngium articulatum Bee thistle

Haplopappus bloomeri Rabbitbrush goldenweed

Puzzling halimolobos

Juncus hallii Hall's rush

Juncus tweedyi Tweedy's rush

Machaerocarpus californicusStar waterplantainMentzelia congestaUnited blazingstarMimulus clivicolaBank monkey-flower

Mimulus evanescens Disappearing monkey-flower

Mimulus hymenophyllus Thin-sepal monkey-flower

Muhlenbergia racemosa Wild timothy

Pediocactus simpsonii Simpson's hedgehog cactus

Penstemon seorsus Short-lobed penstemon

Potamogeton diversifolius Diverse-leaved pondweed

Primula cusickiana "complex" Cusick's primrose
Silene scaposa var. lobata Lost River silene

Solidago spectabilis Basin goldenrod

Thelypodium laciniatum var. streptanthoides Purple thick-leaved thelypody

Idaho BLM Special Status Species Ranking Protocols 2003

Introduction

Conservation management for native special status species is becoming increasingly important for public land management agencies in order to avoid the need to list species under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). Early management efforts to conserve habitats important for candidate and BLM sensitive species prior to formal listing are now common interagency efforts (e.g., Bonneville cutthroat trout and Townsend's big-eared bat conservation strategies). In the past Idaho BLM has not attempted to rank or categorize special status species based on extinction risks. However, today we need this information to help establish conservation priorities for special status species and associated habitats. A protocol for classifying special status species based on their potential for extinction was clearly needed. With this new protocol we hope to have a system that:

- Can be applied consistently and objectively by a variety of people.
- Is consistent with State, National and Global ranking systems.
- Provides guidance for determining rarity and degree of endangerment.
- Provides better understanding of how Idaho BLM special status species are determined.
- Complements the Idaho Species of Special Concern list.
- Complements the criteria used by the Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) for listing priorities.

BLM Special Status Species

BLM includes the following as special status species:

- 1. Species officially listed or proposed for listing as threatened or endangered under the ESA or candidates for listing as threatened or endangered under the ESA.
- 2. Species listed by a State in a category such as threatened or endangered implying potential endangerment or extinction.
- 3. Species designated by the BLM State Director as sensitive.

National policy directs State Directors to designate BLM sensitive species in cooperation with the State fish and wildlife agency (BLM Manual 6840). As such, Idaho BLM includes appropriate Idaho Species of Special Concern addressed in Item 2 as BLM sensitive species. The sensitive species designation is normally used for species that occur on BLM public lands and for which BLM has the capability to significantly affect the conservation status of the species through management. Generally a native species may be listed as "sensitive" when it:

- 1. Could become endangered or extirpated from a state, or within a significant portion of its range in the foreseeable future,
- 2. Is under status review by the FWS and/or National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS),
- 3. Is undergoing significant current or predicted downward trends in habitat capabilility that would reduce a species'existing distribution,

- 4. Has typically small and widely dispersed populations,
- 5. Inhabits ecological refugia, specialized or unique habitats or
- 6. Is listed by the State and a sensitive species designation by BLM would help in conservation efforts.

Rarity and Endangerment

All special status species lists, whether they are global or local lists attempt to identify and rank species based on risk of extinction through all or a portion of their range (Master 1991, IUCN 1994, Idaho CDC 1994, U.S. Forest Service 1999, Ginsberg 2002). Extinction risks for a species of concern are associated with two primary factors: species rarity and species endangerment (Morse 1996). Rarity is an expression of the intrinsic pattern of distribution and abundance of a species at a given time. Endangerment refers to factors (typically anthropogenic) that may make a species more susceptible to decline or extinction (Morse 1996). Habitat loss or degradation and population exploitation (e.g., hunting, trapping and collecting) are common anthropogenic factors although disease and predation, exclusive of human interference, may also be endangerment factors.

Rarity and endangerment must be evaluated for species of concern using consistent criteria designed to accommodate the differences between species. There are some endemic species that are naturally rare, occupying small, unique habitats. In many cases these species are not threatened by habitat loss or other endangerment factors. However, even with low endangerment risks there is a certain amount of extinction risk due soley to the extreme natural rarity of these species. Conversely, there are wide-ranging species whose habitats are becoming more constricted, fragmented and isolated they may not be as "rare" as the above endemic species but they are highly endangered based on habitat trends. Thus, rarity and endangerment are important concepts for ranking special status species but these concepts must be applied on a species-specific basis acknowledging the vast distribution and habitat scale differences between species.

Ranking Protocols

We tried to use the same protocol for plants and animals as much as possible. However, most of the special status plants are locally endemic and globally rare, unlike many of the animals. In addition., the Idaho Native Plant Society (INPS) has extinction risk categories for plants that provide greater detail than information available for animals and they annually reviews threats to sensitive species using the criteria developed by the FWS for determining listing priorities. In order to effectively use this status information for plants some differences between the ranking categories for plants and animals had to be acknowledged. Therefore, two protocols were developed, one for plants and one for animals.

These protocols provide a framework for identifying species that are at risk of extinction over all or a significant portion of their range and occur on BLM-administered public lands in Idaho. They are modeled after a similar protocol developed by Region 1 of the U.S. Forest Service, and rely on an international system for ranking species imperilment originally set up by the Nature Conservancy for the Natural Heritage Programs and Conservation Data Centers in North and South America (we will refer to this system as the CDC Network). State and provincial government agencies continue to use the CDC Network to assess species status and extinction risks. Other sources of information used to determine and categorize Idaho BLM special status species included:

- 2001 IUCN Red List of Threatened Species.
- Idaho Department of Fish and Game Species of Special Concern List.
- The Idaho Native Plant Society's rankings and list.
- Partner's In Flight national and state rankings for birds.
- Association for Biodiversity Information website (NatureServe.org)
- Idaho Conservation Data Center
- Species experts in Idaho

Terms and Definitions Referenced in Protocols

CDC Network Categories

- G = Global rank indicator; denotes rank based on rangewide status.
- T = Trinomial rank indicator; denotes range wide status of variety or subspecies.
- **S** = State rank indicator; denotes rank based on status within Idaho.
- 1 = Critically imperiled because of extreme rarity or because of some factor of its biology making it especially vulnerable to extinction.
- 2 = Imperiled because of rarity or because of other factors demonstrably making it very vulnerable to extinction.
- **3** = Rare or uncommon, but not imperiled.
- **4** = Not rare and apparently secure, but with cause for long-term concern.
- **5** = Demonstrably widespread, abundant, and secure.

INPS Categories

State Priority 1 (S1) = Taxa in danger of becoming extinct or extirpated from Idaho in the foreseeable future if identifiable factors contributing to their decline continue to operate; these are taxa whose populations are present only at critically low levels or whose habitats have been degraded or depleted to a significant degree.

State Priority 2 (S2) = Taxa likely to be classified as Priority 1 within the foreseeable future in Idaho, if factors contributing to their population decline or habitat degradation or loss continue.

Sensitive (S) = Taxa with small populations or localized distributions within Idaho that presently do not meet the criteria for classifications as Priority 1 or 2 but whose populations and habitats might be jeopardized without active management or removal of threats.

Monitor (M) = Taxa common within a limited range as well as those taxa which are uncommon but have no identifiable threats.

Review (R) = Taxa which may be of conservation concern in Idaho, but lack sufficient data to base a recommendation regarding their appropriate classification.

Animal Special Status Species Protocol

Type 1. Threatened, Endangered, Proposed and Candidate Species

Species are listed by the FWS or NMFS as threatened or endangered, or they are proposed or candidates for listing under the Endangered Species Act.

Type 2. Rangewide / Globally Imperiled Species

These are species that are experiencing significant declines throughout their range with a high likelihood of being listed in the foreseeable future due to their rarity and/or significant endangerment factors.

This includes species ranked by the CDC Network with global ratings of G1-G3 or T1-T3 or recent data indicate species is at significant rangewide risk and this is not currently reflected by CDC Network global rankings.

Type 3. Regional/State Imperiled Species

These are species that are experiencing significant declines in population or habitat and are in danger of regional or local extinctions in Idaho in the foreseeable future if factors contributing to their decline continues

This includes Idaho BLM sensitive species that (a) are not in Type 2, (b) have an S1 or S2 State ranking (exception being a peripheral or disjunct species), or (c) score high (18 or greater) using the Criteria for Evaluating Animals for Sensitive Species Status (Table 1) or (d) other regional/national status evaluations (e.g., Partners-in-Flight scores) indicate significant declines.

Type 4. Peripheral Species

These are species that are generally rare in Idaho with the majority of the breeding range largely outside the state (Idaho CDC 1994).

This includes sensitive species that have an S1 or S2 state ranking but are peripheral species to Idaho.

Type 5. Watch List

Watch list species are not considered BLM sensitive species and associated sensitive species policy guidance does not apply. Watch list species include species that may be added to the sensitive species list depending on new information concerning threats, species biology or statewide trends.

The Watch List include species with insufficient data on population or habitat trends or the threats are poorly understood. However, there are indications that these species may warrant special status species designation and appropriate inventory or research efforts should be a management priority.

Table 1. Criteria for evaluating animals for special status species designation.

I. Abundance (refer to CDC Network rankings)	Score (circle)
Extremely Rare (G1-G2, T1-T2, S1-S2)	9
Rare (G3, T3, S3)	6
Uncommon (G4, T4, S4)	3

Common (G5, T5, S5)	0	
II. Distribution		
Endemic: Idaho represents at least 75% of the species distribution.	6	
Disjunct: Population in Idaho is outside of primary range of species.	4	
Peripheral: Population in Idaho is on the edge of its primary range.	2	
Widespread: None of the above	0	
III. Degree of Threat of Habitat Loss		
High: Habitat substantially threatened by human or natural disturbances.	9	
Moderate: Habitat moderately threatened by human or natural disturbances.	6	
None: Habitat not threatened.	0	
IV. Population Impacts		
Species potentially impacted significantly by extrinsic factors such as predation, disease or direct exploitation.	3	
Species potentially moderately impacted by extrinsic factors such as predation, disease or direct exploitation.	2	
Species not affected or only slightly by predation, disease or direct exploitation.	0	
V. Specialized Habitat / Ecological Amplitude		
Narrow: Species is restricted to a unique or limited habitat or combination of habitats, and/or species has a high degree of habitat specificity.	3	
Intermediate: Species is restricted to a relatively unique habitat or combination of habitats, and/or species has a moderate degree of habitat specificity.		
No Specialization: Species is not restricted to unique habitats.	0	
VI. Population Trends		
Known Downward Trend: Known or strongly suspected that species has had serious population declines.	6	
Possible: Information is lacking, but downward trend a possibility.	3	
Static: No indication that species has had population declines.	0	
Species Overall Score		

Plant Special Status Species Protocol

Type 1. Threatened, Endangered, Proposed and Candidate Species

These species are listed by the FWS as threatened or endangered, or they are proposed or candidates for listing under the Endangered Species Act.

Type 2.Rangewide / Globally Imperiled Species - High Endangerment

These are species that have a high likelihood of being listed in the foreseeable future due to their global rarity <u>and</u> significant endangerment factors.

Species ranked by the CDC Network with global ratings of G1-G3 or T1-T3 with a threat priority of 1-9 using the FWS Listing Priority Criteria (Table 2).

Type 3. Rangewide / Globally Imperiled Species - Moderate Endangerment

These are species that are globally rare with moderate endangerment factors. Their global rarity and inherent risks associated with rarity make them imperiled species.

Idaho BLM sensitive species that (a) are ranked by the CDC Network with global ratings of G1-G3 or T1-T3 with (a) a threat priority of 10-12 using the FWS Listing Priority Criteria or (b) an INPS ranking of Priority 1-2 or Sensitive (INPS sensitive species with the majority of the population on BLM-administered lands).

Type 4. Species of Concern

These are species that are generally rare in Idaho with small populations or localized distribution and currently have low threat levels. However, due to the small populations and habitat area, certain future land uses in close proximity could significantly jeopardized these species.

INPS sensitive species that are not Type 3.

Type 5. Watch List

Watch list species are not considered BLM sensitive species and associated sensitive species policy guidance does not apply. Watch list species include species that may be added to the sensitive species list depending on new information concerning threats and species biology or statewide trends.

This includes (a) INPS Monitor and Review species and (b) INPS Sensitive species (Types 2, 3, or 4) that are only suspected to occur in a resource area.

Table 2. Threatened and endangered species listing priority criteria used by the FWS.

Listing		Extinct	on Threats
Priority	Taxonomic Status	Magnitude	Immediacy
1	Monotypic genus	HIGH	
2	Species		Imminent
3	Subspecies/Variety		
4	Monotypic genus		
5	Species		Non-imminent
6	Subspecies/Variety		
7	Monotypic genus	LOW	
8	Species		Imminent
9	Subspecies/Variety		
10	Monotypic genus		
11	Species		Non-imminent
12	Subspecies/Variety		

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